Proposed Diesel Risk Reduction Plan



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Multi-Divisional Effort

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Overview

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Summary of Risk Reduction Plan

- Comprehensive plan
- Commitment for action over the next 5 to 7 years
- Considers all uses of diesel engines
 - ◆ mobile, stationary, portable
- Recommends 14 new control measures
- Recommends controls on new and existing engines and vehicles

Summary of Risk Reduction Plan

(Continued)

- Recommends fuel reformulation to very low-sulfur content (15 ppm) for on- and off-road mobile, and stationary engines
- Reduces current emissions and potential risks by 75% in 2010 and by 85% in 2020

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Background

Identification of Diesel PM

- August 1998 Board listed "Particulate Matter Emissions from Diesel-Fueled Engines" as a Toxic Air Contaminant
- Directed staff to begin risk management process



Background

Advisory Committee and Subcommittees

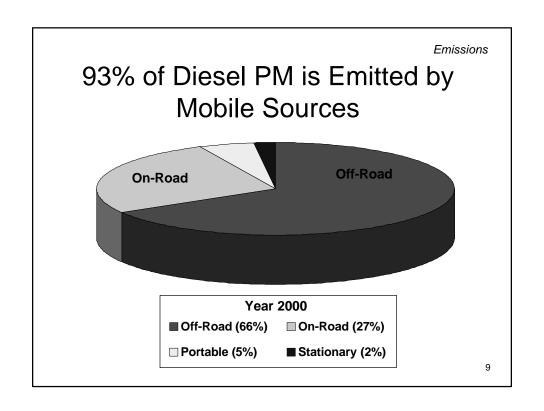
- Advisory Committee and four subcommittees established in 1998
- Subcommittees include representatives from ARB, U.S. EPA, state and local agencies, industry, environmental groups, and interested public
- Subcommittees have met many times
- Staff has met with individual stakeholders

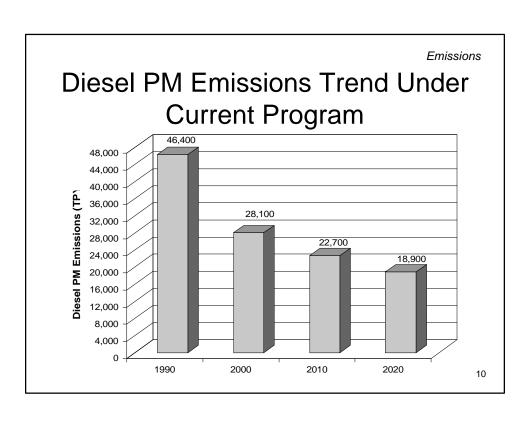
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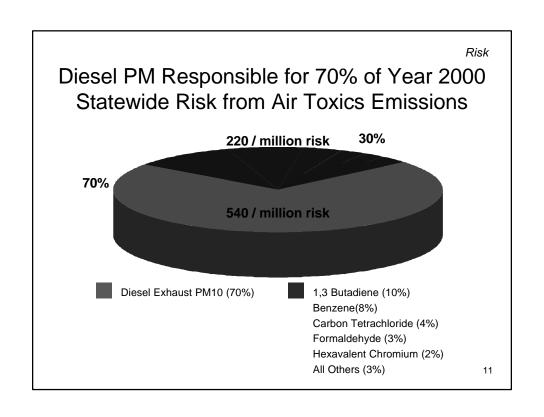
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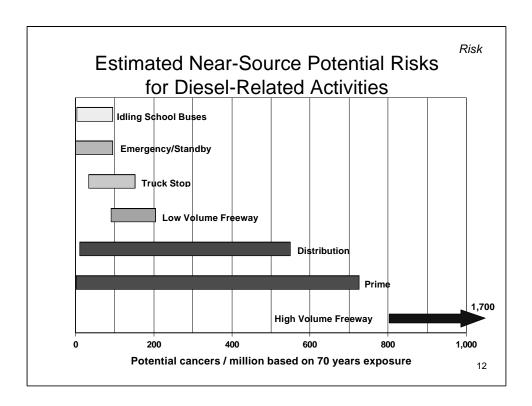
There are 1.25 Million Diesel Engines in California

- Mobile
 - ♦ on-road 687,000
 - ◆ off-road 547,000
 - includes portable equipment -49,000
- Stationary
 - ◆ emergency/standby 11,000
 - ◆ prime 5,000









The estimated risk presented in the figure above, and the assumptions used to determine these risks, are not based on a specific source of diesel PM. Instead, general assumptions bracketing a fairly broad range of possible operating scenarios were used. The estimated risks are based on the diesel PM concentration at the point of maximum impact as determined using air dispersion modeling. The estimated risk ranges are used to provide a "qualitative" assessment of potential risk levels near sources of diesel PM. These estimates are based on the risk assessment methodology and assumptions identified in Appendix 7 of the Proposed Diesel Risk Reduction Plan, September 13, 2000. Actual risk levels from these types of sources at any individual site will vary due to site specific parameters, including equipment technologies and emission rates, fuel properties, operating schedules, meteorology, and the actual location of off-site receptors.

Emissions/Risk

Reductions Needed

- Existing regulations have significantly reduced PM emissions from diesel-fueled engines, but more reductions are needed
- Diesel-fueled engines are the most significant source of air toxics in California
- Need to examine all categories and uses of diesel-fueled engines

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Goals of Diesel PM Risk Reduction Plan

- Reduce emissions from new mobile, portable, and stationary engines
- Reduce emissions from existing mobile, portable, and stationary engines (retrofit)

Options to Further Reduce Diesel PM Emissions

- Catalyst-based DPF (traps)
- Alternative technology
- Alternative fuels

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Control Options

Catalyst-Based Diesel PM Traps

- Can reduce diesel PM and hydrocarbon emissions by 90% or more
- More than 40,000 successful applications of diesel PM traps
- Diesel PM traps have been in use for the past 14 years
- Traps the PM and allows it to completely burn off

Diesel PM Traps Are Effective

- Can be applied to new engines
- Can be retrofitted to existing engines



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Control Options

Diesel PM Trap Applications Fork Lift



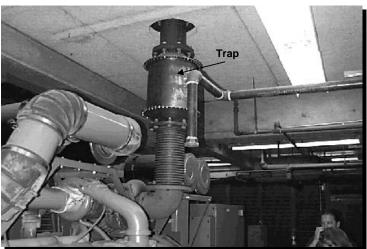
Diesel PM Trap Applications School Bus



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Control Options

Diesel PM Trap Applications Stationary Engine



Trap Requirements

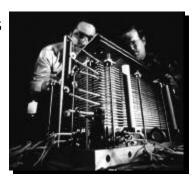
- Exhaust temperature must be sufficient to clean the trap
- Very low-sulfur diesel fuel (15 ppm) needed for best performance

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Control Options

Other Control Options

- Alternative technologies
 - ◆ electrification
 - ◆ fuel cells
- Alternative fuels
 - ◆ CNG, LNG, LPG, dual-fuel



- Alternative diesel formulations/additives
- Engine modifications

Staff Proposes Development of 14 New Measures Over the Next 2-3 Years

- Mobile on-road and off-road engines
- Stationary and portable engines
- Fuel requirements
- Federal action for some categories









Four On-Road Mobile Source Measures Proposed

- Lower new engine standards (2001)
- Retrofit existing engines (2002)
- Control of HDV in-use emissions (2003)
- Supplemental test procedures HDV certification (2000)
- Implementation between 2002-2008



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Proposed Measures

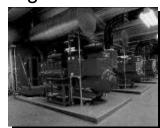
Four Off-Road Mobile Source Measures Proposed

- Lower new engine standards (2002)
- Retrofit existing engines (2002)
- Standards for diesel pleasure craft (2002)
- Control of in-use emissions (2003)
- Implementation between 2002-2008



Five Measures Addressing Stationary and Portable Engines

- Address both new and existing engines
- Address emergency/standby, prime, agricultural, and portable engines
- Adoption 2002
- Implementation between 2002-2005



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Proposed Measures

Fuel Measure

- Very low-sulfur CARB diesel (15 ppm) for on- and off-road, portable, and stationary engines (2001)
- Implementation by 2006
- Provide for early introduction of very low-sulfur CARB diesel for selected applications

Guidance Document Addressing Alternative "Diesel" Fuel and Fuel Additives (2001)

- Identify alternatives, emission reduction potential, and costs
- Alternative "diesel" fuels include:
 - ♦ bio-diesel
 - ◆ diesel/water mixtures
- Additives

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Proposed Measures

Federal Action Is Critical

- Locomotives
- Commercial marine vessels
- New farm and construction equipment <175 hp</p>



New vehicle standards and fuel specifications



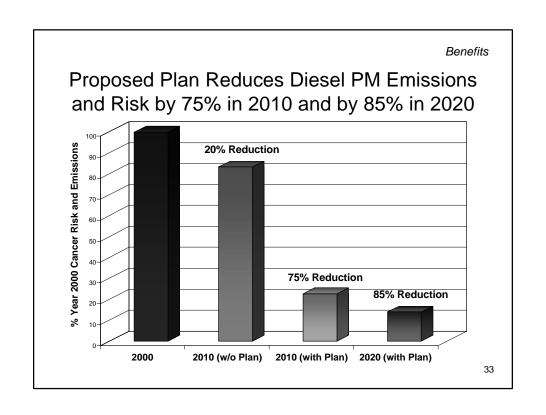
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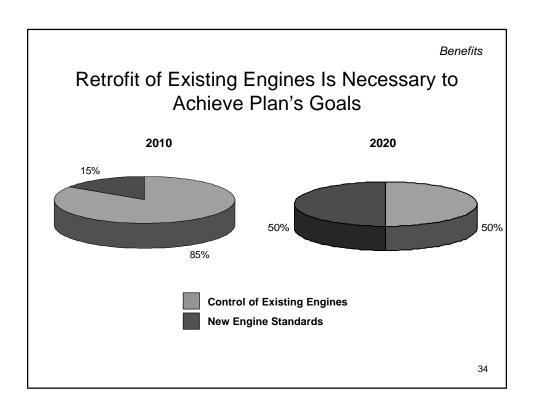
The Proposed Plan

- Proposed plan would significantly reduce diesel PM emissions and potential cancer risks
- Other benefits would include
 - ◆ improved visibility
 - ◆ reduced "soiling"
 - decrease in noncancer health effects









Cost of Plan

- Anticipated cost of Plan is significant
- Comparable to other major ARB programs
- Detailed cost analysis as measures are developed
- Staff intends to investigate economic incentives

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Issues

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- Control technology
 - ◆ cost
 - effectiveness for certain categories of engines
 - + durability
 - + exhaust temperature
- Alternative technologies/fuels

Summary and Recommendation

Summary

- Plan is a commitment for action
- Considers all uses of diesel-fueled engines
 - ◆ mobile, stationary, portable
- Identifies program goal
- Recommends 14 new measures
- Details to be developed during regulatory process

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Summary and Recommendations

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- Addresses new and existing engines
- Recommends fuel reformulation to very low-sulfur content (≤ 15 ppm)
- Provides for alternatives
- Reduces emissions and potential cancer risk by 75% in 2010 and by 85% in 2020

Summary and Recommendations

Recommendations

- Approve the Proposed Diesel Risk Reduction Plan
- Direct staff to expeditiously implement the Plan

